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In re Application of
Richard C. Boucher, Jr.
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Attorney Docket No.: 5470-250

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: PETITION DECISION TO RESTART
: PERIOD FOR REPLY
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This is in response to applicant's petition under 37 CFR § 1.181, filed February 20, 2002, requesting restarting of the period for reply.

A review of the file history shows the examiner mailed a non-final Office action to applicants on October 4, 2001, setting a one month shortened statutory period for reply. Applicant states that the Office action was not received until January 26, 2002, more than one month after the mail date thereof. Applicant's statement and evidence are acceptable and the period for reply will be adjusted accordingly.

Applicants' petition is **GRANTED**.

The period for reply to the Office action mailed October 4, 2001, is hereby restarted as of applicants' date of receipt, January 26, 2002. The time period for reply remains as set therein.

The reply received with the petition will be entered and the application forwarded to the examiner for further action.

Should there be any questions regarding this decision, please contact William R. Dixon, Jr., by mail addressed to Director, Technology Center 1600, Washington, D.C. 20231, or by telephone at (703) 308-3824 or by facsimile transmission at (703) 305-7230.


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